

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This paper is responsive to the restriction requirement mailed May 18, 2008. Claims 25-48 are currently pending in this application and are subject to a restriction requirement.

Response to Restriction Requirement

The Examiner is requiring restriction to one of the following two groups under 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 372:

Group I: Claims 25-47, which according to the Examiner are “drawn to a method of making.” Office Action, p. 2.

Group II: Claim 48, which according to the Examiner are “drawn to a composition.” Office Action, p. 2.

Applicants elect **Group I (claims 25-47)**.

The Examiner is also requiring election of a single species. The Examiner states that the species are as follows:

Hydrophobic segments of the copolymer (claim 26)

Hydrophilic segments of the copolymer (claims 27-30)

Surfactants, nonionic and anionic (claims 38-39)

As required by the Examiner, Applicants elect a species of the generic invention in which 1) the hydrophilic segment of the copolymer is **acrylic acid**, 2) the hydrophobic segment of copolymer is **butyl acrylate**, and 3) the surfactant is **ethoxylated fatty alcohol** (nonionic) (e.g. Synperonic[®] L7). Claims 25-28, 30, 31-38, and 40-47 read on the elected species.

Conclusion


Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance; notice to that effect is hereby solicited. Should any issues remain to be discussed in this application, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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